

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-10 (canceled)

Claim 11 (new): A biologically pure culture made of the strain of *Bifidobacterium Longum* LMG P-21586.

Claim 12 (new): A biologically pure culture made of the strain of *Bifidobacterium Longum* LMG P-21587.

Claim 13 (new): Use of the biologically pure culture according to claim 11 as a probiotic within preparations of pharmaceutical or alimentary type in order to help gastrointestinal health and to prevent and treat intestinal pathologies.

Claim 14 (new): Use of the biologically pure culture according to claim 12 as a probiotic within preparations of pharmaceutical or alimentary type in order to help gastrointestinal health and to prevent and treat intestinal pathologies.

Claim 15 (new): Preparations of pharmaceutical or alimentary type containing a bacterial charge between 1×10^7 and 1×10^{11} of alive cells coming from a biologically pure culture made of the

strain of Bifidobacterium Longum LMG P-21586.

Claim 16 (new): Preparations of pharmaceutical or alimentary type containing a bacterial charge between 1×10^7 and 1×10^{11} of alive cells coming from a biologically pure culture made of the strain of Bifidobacterium Longum LMG P-21587.

Claim 17 (new): Preparations according to claim 15, characterized in that they contain a prebiotic in the shape of oligosaccharides.

Claim 18 (new): Preparations according to claim 17, characterized in that the oligosaccharides are fructo-oligosaccharides with a polymerization degree between 2 and 10 or inuline.

Claim 19 (new): Preparations according to claim 16, characterized in that they contain a prebiotic in the shape of oligosaccharides.

Claim 20 (new): Preparations according to claim 19, characterized in that the oligosaccharides are fructo-oligosaccharides with a polymerization degree between 2 and 10 or inuline.

Claim 21 (new): Preparations according to claim 15, characterized in that they contain vitamins.

Claim 22 (new): Preparations according to claim 21, characterized in that the vitamins are the vitamins E, B1, B2, B6 and B12.

Claim 23 (new): Preparations according to claim 16, characterized in that they contain vitamins.

Claim 24 (new): Preparations according to claim 23, characterized in that the vitamins are the vitamins E, B1, B2, B6 and B12.

Claim 25 (new): Preparations according to claim 15, characterized in that they are selected from capsules, tablets, packets, troches, liquid suspensions, dry oral supplements, liquid oral supplements, vials, milk, yogurt, fresh cheese, ice-creams, products made of fermented cereals, milk powders, children's products and products for domestic animals.

Claim 26 (new): Preparations according to claim 16, characterized in that they are selected from capsules, tablets, packets, troches, liquid suspensions, dry oral supplements, liquid oral supplements, vials, milk, yogurt, fresh cheese, ice-creams, products made of fermented cereals, milk powders, children's products and products for domestic animals.